# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COAL
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2710
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ALLOCATION OF COAL BLOCKS
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has offered to jointly allocate two coal blocks to six companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering to allot more coal blocks in future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Government has decided to allocate Rampia (geological reserves of 275.24 million tonnes) and Dipside of Rampia (geological reserves of 360 million tonnes) coal blocks, located in the State of Orissa to the following six companies for generation of power:

i) M/s Sterlite Energy Ltd.
ii) M/s GMR Energy Ltd
iii) M/s Lanco Group Ltd.
iv) M/s Navbharat Power Pvt. Ltd.
v) M/s Mittal Steel India Ltd
vi) M/s Reliance Energy Ltd.

(c)&(d): Yes, Sir. The Screening Committee in the Ministry of Coal will consider the applications received for allocation of 23 non-power coal blocks.